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Dear Sir or Ms,

I understand you are presently reviewing the use of partially hydrogenated vegetable oil in our food products. My views on this are respectfully submitted.

I am against putting additives in food products that are not naturally occuring to simply prolong the shelf life or to improve the taste. We should get accustomed to food productus spoiling after a period of time and accepting the taste of the product as it is in its original state.

When an eminent authority such as Dr. Walter Willett, chairman of the nutrition department at the Harvard School of Public Health, calls the addition of partially hydrogentaed vegetable oil in our food products, "the biggest disaster in the U. S. food supply," I feel that he must know what he is talking about. Other authorities have also stated that the addition of trans fat is unhealthy and unnecessary.

Please do what you can to eliminate the addition of the trans fats in our food.

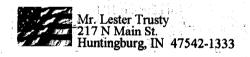
Thanks for all you do to keep our food supply safe and healthy.

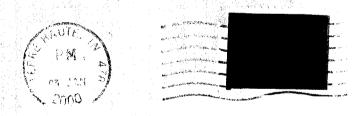
Sincerely,

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